

**CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
MAY 21, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**

Chairman Walker called the Commission Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**CALL OF ROLL TO ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Meleigh Sullivan called the roll; present were Chairman Kenneth Walker, Commissioner Kerry Watson, Commissioner Garry Marchman, County Administrator Gary Teichmiller and County Attorney Chad Floyd. The invocation was given by County Attorney Chad Floyd. Revenue Commissioner, Barry Willingham, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 23, 2019 MEETING; APPROVE APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, REQUISITIONS AND ALL JOURNAL ENTRIES TO BE POSTED**

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2019 Commission Meeting; approve appropriations, expenditures, personnel actions, payroll, requisitions and all journal entries to be posted. Commissioner Marchman stated he was going to abstain. Chairman Walker seconded the motion. The motion passed on "aye" votes by Commissioner Watson and Chairman Walker with Commissioner Marchman abstaining.

**PUBLIC /UPDATES**

Several residents attending the meeting took the opportunity to voice concerns regarding the road conditions and safety of County Road 351.

**John Seagle**, a resident of County Road 351 addressed the Commission. He said mainly everyone that was in attendance for the Commission Meeting was there in regard to County Road 351 and he was representing them and the ones that could not make it to the meeting due to work. He said the Commissioner has only put cold mix in the potholes and it sticks to their cars and it does not last. He suggested that County Road 351 be put on the "dockets" for the road to be paved. He also stated that he had given Commissioner Marchman a Petition about a year ago, signed by around 200 residents for the road to be paved. In addition to the complaint about County Road 351, Mr. Seagle also said there were issues with other County Roads as far as the width of them.

Chairman Walker said that the Commission would take a look at the situation and definitely take in the resident's considerations.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Public Hearing – CARTS Operations for FY 2020**

Commissioner Marchman made the motion to open the public hearing which was seconded by Commissioner Watson. Andrea McLendon, office manager of CARTS, explained the public hearing is required for the CARTS 5311 Application for FY-2020. The 5311 Application is for an Administrative Operating and Capital Assistant Grant under the 49 USC section 5311 including JARC. The grant provides financial assistance to the County for public transportation for the residence of Cullman County. CARTS is also applying for funding through the JARC Program (Job Access and Reverse Commute Program) which allows welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals to be transported to and from jobs and activities related to their employment. In 2018, CARTS service approximately 80,000 rides for Cullman County citizens. There were no other public comments or questions. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to close the public hearing and Commissioner Watson seconded the motion.

**Resolution 2019-19 – Authorize Local Matching Funds for CARTS FY-2020**

Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the local match of \$521,980 for the FY-2020 operation of CARTS. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**Resolution 2019-20 – Authorizing filing of Application with DOT for CARTS operation FY-2020**

Commissioner Marchman made the motion to approve the filing of the 5311 application for FY-2020. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Proclamation – Older Americans Month 2019**

The proclamation proclaims May 2019 to be Older Americans Month. The Cullman County Commission urges every resident to take time during this month to recognize older adults as essential and valuable member of our community. Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the proclamation for Older Americans Month. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the EMA Director to sign the Amended Public Health Department Grant for SMORT in the amount of \$4,950**

Attorney Chad Floyd explained the amendment adds \$4,950 to the \$20,000 bringing the total of the grant to \$24,950. Commissioner Marchman made the motion authorizing the signing of the Public Health Department Grant for SMORT. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize the Chairman to sign an Agreement on behalf of the Commission with Southern Health Partners to provide medical care for inmates of the Cullman County Detention Facility effective June 4, 2019**

Attorney Chad Floyd explained the agreement would allow Southern Health Partners to begin June 4, 2019, providing health care to our inmates at the Cullman County Detention Center. The agreement is for 16 months, until September 30, 2020. The total cost, when annualized, is \$551,280 or \$45,940 monthly. Commissioner Watson made a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement. Commissioner Marchman asked if local staffing will be used for medical care at the jail. Attorney Chad Floyd answered, currently Dr. Adam Harrison is the on-site doctor through a contract with CRMC and he employs the nursing staff. With the new agreement, Dr. Harrison will contract with Southern Health Partners and

the nursing staff will become employees of Southern Health Partners. This will give continuity of care to continue. There have been several meetings with the Sheriff and he is agreeable with the medical care agreement. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Chairman Walker to reappoint Mark Bussman to the Health Care Authority for a six (6) year term to expire 6-30-2025**

Commissioner Marchman made the motion for Chairman Walker to reappoint Mark Bussman to the Health Care Authority for a six (6) year term to expire 6-30-2025. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

**Commissioner Watson to appoint Ginger Hogeland to the Health Care Authority, replacing Greg Barksdale, for a six (6) year term to expire 6-30-2025**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to appoint Ginger Hogeland to the Health Care Authority, replacing Greg Barksdale for a six (6) year term expiring 6-30-2025. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Commissioner Watson to appoint Perry Knight to the Health Care Authority to fill the unexpired term of Billy Faulk, term to expire 6-30-2021**

Commissioner Watson made the motion to appoint Perry Knight to the Health Care Authority for a term to expire 6-30-2021, to fill the unexpired term of Billy Faulk. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid OHV Park Safe Room – Reject and Rebid**

Tanya Sears from Economic Development explained to the Commission two bids were received; one from Survive-A-Storm and one from Safe-T-Shelter. Both bids submitted were non-compliant with the bid specifications. One did not have a correct business license and the other was not an itemized bid. She requested the Commission reject the bid and rebid the project. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to reject and rebid. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Authorize Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham to sign a purchase agreement with Xerox for a printer through the Local Government Contract – Cost \$6,356**

Barry Willingham, Revenue Commissioner, requested the Commission approve the purchase of a Xerox printer through the Local Government Contract at a cost \$6,356. Commissioner Watson made the motion to authorize Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham to sign purchase agreement with Xerox. Commissioner Marchman seconded the motion. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the motion passed.

**Consider the purchase of CARTS to purchase 4 additional buses to replace buses that are beyond their life span for FY-2019 – Federal Funds \$212,595; Local Match \$53,149; Total Cost \$265,744**

Andrea McLendon, CARTS Office Manager, explained to the Commission the purchase is for replacement of worn-out buses, not additional buses. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to approve the purchase of four (4) buses for CARTS with the county's match being \$53,149. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of forty (40) Roll-off Containers of various sizes off the Sourcewell Bid List (formally NJPA) for the Sanitation Department – Cost \$181,965**

James Rollo, Director of Sanitation, addressed the Commission and explaining the department is almost out of roll-off containers. He recommended the Commission approve for the purchase of an additional 40 roll-off containers. Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve the purchase of the additional containers off the off the Sourcewell Bid List (formally NJPA) for the Sanitation Department at a cost of \$181,965. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of a re-manufactured engine from Tractor Equipment Company for a SweepPro Broom - Cost \$6,700**

John Lang, County Engineer, reported on behalf of Joe Perry, County Garage Manager, the cost of a re-manufactured engine is 10%-15% of what a new engine would cost. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the purchase of a re-manufactured engine from Tractor Equipment Company at a cost of \$6,700. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of a Dresser double smooth drum asphalt roller from ADECA – Cost \$15,000**

John Lang, County Engineer, addressed the Commission on the behalf of Joe Perry, Garage Manager. Mr. Perry has found a piece of military surplus equipment that will be suitable for the County's needs. John Lang recommended that the Commission authorize the purchase up to \$15,000. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the purchase of a Dresser double smooth drum asphalt roller. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the purchase of 20 handheld radios for the Detention Center from Sharp Communication – Cost \$12,870**

Rebeca Cash from the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, explained to the Commission they are requesting the purchase of 20 Motorola hand held radios which come with microphones, batteries, cables, software, programing, charges, antennas and a 5-year warranty. The quote from Sharp Communications is \$12,870 to replace the out dated and broken radios. Commissioner Marchman made a motion to approve the purchase of 20 hand held radios for the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider an Adopt-A-Mile application by the Joe Parker Family for a section of County Road 538**

The Commission has received a letter and application from PALS (People Against a Littered State) on behalf of the Joe Parker Family requesting the adoption of a section of County Road 538. Commissioner Watson made the motion to approve signing of the application. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider an Adopt-A-Mile application by Church 212 for a section of County Road 437**

The Commission has received a letter and application from PALS (People Against a Littered State) on behalf of Church 212 requesting the adoption of a section of County Road 437. Commissioner Marchman made the motion authorizing the Chairman to sign the Adopt-A-Mile application. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider approval of disposal of obsolete checks from various banks**

Gary Teichmiller, County Administrator, explained to the Commission the new accounting computer system uses stock paper for check printing. There are various checks from several old accounts that need to be destroyed. Commissioner Watson made a motion to approve the disposal of the obsolete checks. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the surplus of 2005 GMC Sierra 2500 Crew Truck from the Sanitation Dept, VIN # 1GTHK23275F815211, to be sold as scrap**

County Attorney Chad Floyd, informed the Commission the vehicle was acquired by the County through seizure by the District Attorney’s office. It is considered a “chopped” vehicle and can never be titled. Mr. Floyd also explained the vehicle is no longer serviceable due to extensive repairs that are needed. Chairman Walker verified that this vehicle is not being sold but is being destroyed. Attorney Chad Floyd confirmed that the vehicle is being destroyed. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to approve the surplus of the 2005 GMC Sierra for destruction. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider the acceptance of the donation of a boom trailer from PALS to the County**

The Cullman County PALS in their May 9, 2019 meeting approved the transfer of ownership of the boom trailer to the Cullman County Commission for use by Phillip Patterson, Cullman County Solid Waste Officer. Commissioner Watson made the motion to accept the donation of the boom trailer from PALS. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

**Consider plat for Sunny View Estates Subdivision, located in District 4 on County Roads 601 & 636**

Engineering Assistant Keith Creel addressed the Commission stating the subdivision meets the qualifications of a minor subdivision. All lots touch existing County Roads 601 and 636. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to approve the plat for Sunny View Estates Subdivision, located in District 4. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed upon a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1282 – Extension – Concrete – USA Ready Mix**

John Lang, County Engineer, recommended the extension of the bid for another year. Commissioner Watson made the motion to extend Bid No. 1282 for concrete to USA Ready Mix for one (1) year. Commissioner Marchman seconded. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**Bid No. 1307 – Metal Pipe**

County Engineer John Lang, stated three bids were received for metal pipe. The low bidder was from Harvey Culvert. Mr. Lang recommended that we award the metal pipe bid. Commissioner Marchman made the motion to award Bid No. 1307 for metal pipe to Harvey Culvert. Commissioner Watson seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**WORK SESSION**

The Commission will hold a Work Session on June 11, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the commission conference room.

**NEXT REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019**

Chairman Walker announced the next commission meeting will be Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the commission meeting.

**ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Commissioner Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Marchman seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

/s/  
Kenneth Walker,  
Chairman

/s/  
Kerry Watson,  
Associate Commissioner

/s/  
Garry Marchman,  
Associate Commissioner